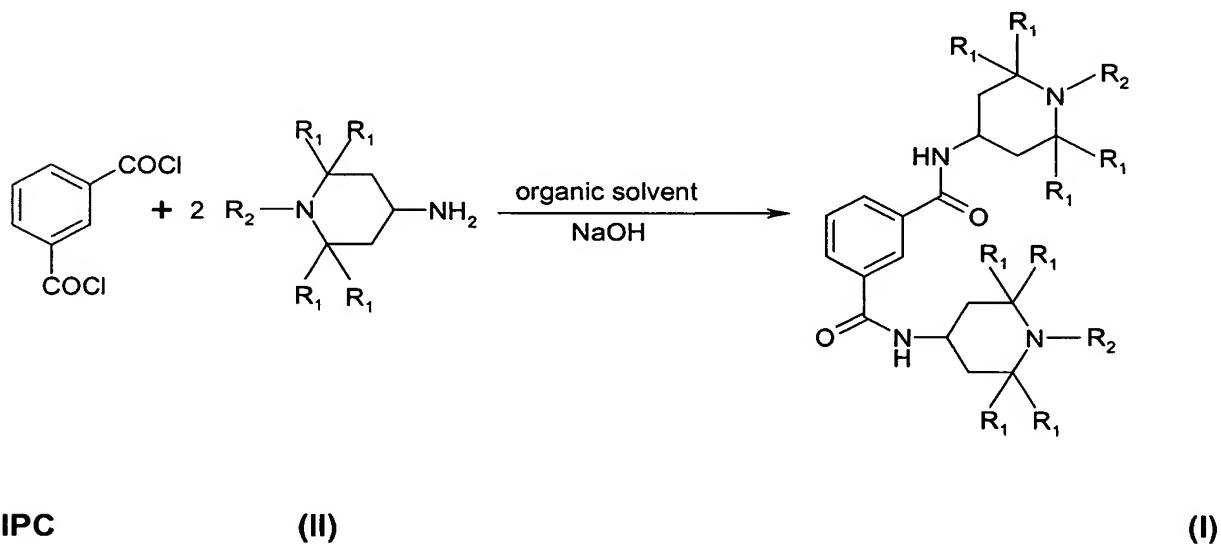


Amendments to the Claims

1. (Currently Amended) ~~Process~~ A process for the preparation of stabilizers a stabilizer of general formula (I) comprising the step of reacting, by condensation, of isophthalic acid dichloride (IPC) with a sterically hindered amine amine of general formula (II),



wherein R₁ is H, C₆-cycloalkyl or C₁-C₄-alkyl, and R₂ is H, C₁-C₅-alkyl, or a C₁-C₁₀-alkyloxy-group, characterized in that in a first step the IPC is added wherein the reacting step includes adding the isophthalic acid dichloride to the amine (II) in a solvent/water/NaOH-solution of at least one solvent, water and NaOH at a temperature of 25 to 35°C to form a reaction mixture, and in that in a second step the reaction mixture is heated heating the reaction mixture in an autoclave to a temperature of 90 - 110 °C at a system pressure of 1.3 - 1.7 bars.

2. (Currently Amended) ~~Process~~ The process according to claim 1 characterized in that wherein R₁ is H or C₁-C₂-alkyl and R₂ is H or C₁-C₂-alkyl.

3. (Currently Amended) ~~Process~~ The process according to claim 1 characterized in that wherein R₁ is methyl and R₂ is H.
4. (Currently Amended) ~~Process~~ The process according to any of claims 1 to 3 characterized in that claim 1, wherein the molar ratio of the isophthalic acic dichloride IPC to the amine (II) is from 1 to 1.8 - 2.0.
5. (Currently Amended) ~~Process~~ The process according to any of claims 1 to 4 characterized in that claim 1, wherein the at least one solvent is xylene, ethanole or isopropanole or a mixture of 60 - 80 % isopropanole and 20 - 40 % water by volume.
6. (Currently Amended) ~~Process~~ The process according to any of claims 1 to 5 characterized in that in the first step the reaction mixture is stirred for claim 1, wherein the adding step further comprises stirring the mixture for 50 to 70 minutes at while maintaining the same temperature.
7. (Currently Amended) ~~Process~~ The process according to claims 1 to 6 characterized in that claim 1, wherein a phase separation takes placeoccurs after the heating step to form an organic phase and that wherein the process further comprises adding water to the organic phase, after addition of water, is heated and heating the water and organic phase to a temperature of 130 - 140 °C and to at a pressure of 3.0 - 4.0 bars.
8. (Currently Amended) ~~Process~~ The process according to claims 1 to 7 characterized in that after claim 1, comprising the step of cooling the reaction mixture to ambient temperature and isolating the compound of formula (I) is isolated.
9. (New) A stabilizer made in accordance with the process of claim 1.

10. (New) A polymer comprising a stabilizer of claim 10.
11. (New) The polymer according to claim 10, wherein the polymer is polyamide.